SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 9

Ecodesign requirements for household washing machines and washer-dryers

Information requirements

- **19.**—(1) Manufacturers, their authorised representatives or importers of household washing machines and washer-dryers must provide the information specified in sub-paragraphs (3) to (7) in the form of instruction manuals for installers and end-users.
- (2) The information referred to in sub-paragraph (1) must be made available on a website which is accessible to the public without charge.
 - (3) The information referred to in sub-paragraph (1) is—
 - (a) a statement that the eco 40-60 programme is able to clean normally soiled cotton laundry declared to be washable at 40 °C or 60 °C, together in the same cycle, and that this programme is used to assess the compliance with ecodesign legislation;
 - (b) a statement that the most efficient programmes in terms of energy consumption are generally those that perform at lower temperatures and longer duration;
 - (c) for household washer-dryers, a statement that the wash and dry cycle is able to clean normally soiled cotton laundry declared to be washable at 40 °C or 60 °C, together in the same cycle, and to dry it in such a way that it can be immediately stored in a cupboard, and that this programme is used to assess the compliance with ecodesign legislation;
 - (d) a statement that loading the household washing machine or the household washer-dryer up to the capacity indicated by the manufacturer for the respective programmes will contribute to energy and water savings;
 - (e) recommendations on the type of detergents suitable for the various washing temperatures and washing programmes;
 - (f) a statement that noise and remaining moisture content are influenced by the spinning speed, and that the higher the spinning speed in the spinning phase, the higher the noise and the lower the remaining moisture content;
 - (g) information on how to activate and deactivate the network connection (if applicable) and impact on energy consumption;
 - (h) instruction on how to find the model information on a publicly accessible website.
 - (4) The user manual must also include values for the following parameters—
 - (a) rated capacity in kg;
 - (b) programme duration, expressed in hours and minutes;
 - (c) energy consumption, expressed in kilowatt-hour (kWh)/cycle;
 - (d) water consumption, expressed in litres/cycle;
 - (e) maximum temperature reached for minimum 5 minutes inside the laundry being treated in the washing cycle, expressed in degrees centigrade; and

- (f) remaining moisture content after the washing cycle, expressed in percentage of water content, and spinning speed at which this was achieved.
- (5) The values referred to in sub-paragraph (4) must be provided for each of the following programmes—
 - (a) the eco 40-60 programme at—
 - (i) the rated capacity;
 - (ii) half of the rated capacity; and
 - (iii) one quarter of the rated capacity;
 - (b) the 20 °C programme at the rated capacity for this programme;
 - (c) one cotton programme at nominal temperature higher than or equal to 60 °C (if present) at the rated capacity for this programme;
 - (d) one programme for—
 - (i) textiles other than cotton; or
 - (ii) a mix of textiles (if present),

at the rated capacity for this programme;

- (e) one programme for the quick washing of lightly soiled laundry (if present) at the rated capacity for this programme;
- (f) one programme for heavily soiled textiles (if present) at the rated capacity for this programme;
- (g) for household washer-dryers, the wash and dry cycle at—
 - (i) the rated capacity; and
 - (ii) half of the rated capacity; and
- (6) The information referred to in sub-paragraphs (4) and (5) must be accompanied by a statement that the values given for programmes other than the eco 40-60 programme and the wash and dry cycle are indicative only.
- (7) The user instructions must also include instructions on the performance of maintenance operations, including—
 - (a) correct installation (including level positioning, connection to mains, connection to water inlets, cold and/or hot if appropriate);
 - (b) correct use of detergent, softeners and other additives, and main consequences of incorrect dosage;
 - (c) removal of foreign objects from the household washing machine or washer-dryer;
 - (d) periodic cleaning, including optimal frequency, and limescale prevention and procedure;
 - (e) door opening between cycles, if appropriate;
 - (f) periodic checks of filters, including optimal frequency, and procedure;
 - (g) identification of errors, the meaning of the errors, and the action required, including identification of errors requiring professional assistance;
 - (h) how to access professional repair (internet webpages, addresses, contact details);
 - (i) any implications of self-repair or non-professional repair for the safety of the end-user and for the guarantee;
 - (j) the minimum period during which the spare parts for the household washing machine or the household washer-dryer are available.

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(8) The instruction manuals referred to in sub-paragraph (1) must be provided with the product when it is placed on the market.